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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HELD IN THE ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY, JANUARY 25, 1896, AT 7:30 P. M.

President BURCKHALTER presided. A quorum was present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved. The following members were duly elected:

LIST OF MEMBERS ELECTED JANUARY 25, 1896.

Mr. GEORGE V. HICKS	532 California St., S. F., Cal.
Mr. BEVERLY LETCHER	532 California St., S. F., Cal.
Mrs. F. K. UPHAM	National Soldiers' Home, Los Angeles Co., Cal.
Library of the CHABOT Observatory	Oakland, Cal.
Library of the College of New Jersey	Princeton, New Jersey.
Library of the LICK Observatory	Mount Hamilton, Cal.
Library of the LELAND STANFORD JR. University	Stanford University, Cal.

Mr. C. A. SPRECKELS and Mrs. C. A. SPRECKELS were elected to life membership.

On motion, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, The LICK Observatory, the CHABOT Observatory, and the LELAND STANFORD JR. University have become members of the Society, to date from January 1, 1896;

Resolved, That these names be transferred from the list of corresponding institutions to the list of active members.

Resolved, That, on the recommendation of the Committee on Publication, the edition of the *Publications* be fixed at 750 copies, for the present.

Resolved, That the funds belonging to the General Fund of the Society be deposited with the DONOHOE-KELLY Banking Company, and with the Security Savings Bank, as provided in the resolution adopted December 29, 1892.

Adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, HELD IN THE LECTURE HALL OF THE CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, JANUARY 25, 1896.

The meeting was called to order by President BURCKHALTER. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

The Secretary read the names of new members duly elected at the Directors' meeting.

The resolutions adopted at the Directors' meeting were read and approved.

A committee to nominate a list of eleven Directors and Committee on Publication, to be voted for at the annual meeting, to be held on March 28th, was appointed, as follows: Messrs. C. M. ST. JOHN (Chairman), CHAS. S. CUSHING, D. S. RICHARDSON, J. COSTA, and GEORGE W. PERCY.

A committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer, and to report at the annual meeting, was appointed, as follows: Messrs. D. F. TILLINGHAST (Chairman), CHAS. B. HILL, and LOUIS C. MASTEN.

The following papers were presented:

1. On the grinding of a silver on glass Reflector, illustrated by a mirror under construction, by Mr. ALLEN H. BABCOCK.
2. The orbit of Comet Perrine, illustrated by lantern-slides, by Mr. CHAS. B. HILL.
3. A new method of photographing the Corona, illustrated by the apparatus, by Mr. CHARLES BURCKHALTER.
4. Weather Forecasting: its present methods, limitations, and future possibilities, with lantern-slide illustrations, by Mr. W. H. HAMMON, Forecast official U. S. Weather Bureau.

These papers were read by the authors.

Secretary ZIEL exhibited a slide representing the sky at the time of totality of the eclipse of August 9, 1896, showing the relative positions of the planets *Jupiter*, *Venus*, and *Mercury*, and the brighter fixed stars.

The thanks of the Society were returned to the California Academy of Sciences for the use of the lecture hall.

Adjourned.